

Veterans Protest Rowdyism Barrier To Council

Euler Plans Action Against Sheriff In Boro Eviction Case

New Owner of Narberth Ave. Apartment Angry at Failure of Officials to Evict Daubert Family at End of 5-Day Period.

Angry at the delay in evicting the family of Robin Daubert from their home at 33 N. Narberth Ave., George B. Euler, new owner of the property, said this week he is contemplating legal action against the Montgomery County Sheriff.

Didn't Fulfill Duties
Euler charged that the Sheriff "did not fulfill his legal duties" when he failed to evict the family by July 22, five days after they had been served with a judgment of eviction July 16.

Euler stated that on July 22 he was waiting outside the building with a truck to help the family move, but the Sheriff did not arrive. He then called the sheriff's office in Norristown, he said, and was told by the Sheriff that a deputy had been to the house during the day.

The family had not been forced out, he was told, because they had no place to go and because Daubert's daughter was the wife of a serviceman.

Finds Vacant Homes
Euler added that he had found several houses into which Daubert could have moved, but that Daubert had not followed them up.

According to Colonel Earl Hepburn, attorney for Daubert, a court order to stay all proceedings in the case was granted July 20, and, according to the sheriff's office, the order was filed in the office of the prothonotary July 24.

Euler, who purchased the property last April, claims that he is unable to start his plumbing and heating business in the store on the first floor until he has possession of the apartment on the second floor. He is unable to employ help to stay in the store while he is making calls, he says, and that when he can occupy the apartment his wife will be able to help him.

Daubert Handicapped
Daubert has been handicapped by the fact that his daughter, Mrs. Jacob Heller, wife of a U. S. Marine and mother of three small children, is living with him and his wife. The children are 26 months, 15 months and one month old.

The matter has been further complicated by the fact that the water in the apartment has been disconnected for several days because of a broken pipe, which Euler says cannot be replaced. All household water must be brought in from outside sources.

Further hearings in the case have been postponed until September 9 by Judge William F. Dannehower, who granted the stay of proceedings. The hearings will be held in the Montgomery County Court House, Norristown.

Narberth Man, 32, Held For Robbery

Philip T. Shannon, 36, of 245 Hampden Ave., Narberth, was held without bail for court Monday by Joseph B. Allen, Jr., Lower Merion Township Justice of the Peace. He is charged with robbing the home of Mrs. F. Rodgers Lindsay, Jr., of 448 Sabine Ave., Wynnewood.

Shannon was arrested Friday night in an Ardmore cafe after he sold a suitcase full of the loot to fellow customers. When arrested for drunkenness by Lower Merion detective, Shannon was completing the sale of the empty suitcase to one of the waitresses. He later confessed the theft.

Shannon, a paperhanger, was recently employed by a landscaper doing work on the Lindsay estate. The Lindsay family is away for the summer, and Shannon gained access to the home Friday morning by breaking a glass in a ground floor french door.

Police recovered a camera, several watches, and some clothing, but were unable to determine how much Shannon had in the suitcase when he went off to celebrate his crime.

Police said Shannon was placed on probation last July after conviction of larceny of an automobile.

Tax Refund to Cover Cost of Road Repairs

Resurfacing of four streets in Narberth was completed July 14 at a cost of \$2,343.31 by the Ramsdell Construction Company of Upper Darby, according to a report made by William S. Thompson, chairman of the Borough Council Highway Committee.

Thompson added in his report that the money received as the Borough's share of the State gasoline tax would cover the cost of the work.

2 Roads Made Public In Cynwyd Estates

Two streets in Cynwyd Estates were made public today by the Township Board of Commissioners at their regular meeting last Wednesday night.

Council Asks Bid For Garbage Removal

The Narberth Borough Council asked for bids to collect garbage for one and three year periods beginning January, 1947, at the Council meeting held Monday night in Elm Hall.

The authorization for accepting bids stated that all bids received should contain the alternate provision for making collections by a vehicle with a body specially designed for such work. The bids will be opened at the September 9 meeting of the Council.

Robert M. Cameron, chairman of the Water, Light, and Health committee of the Council, reported that 19 complaints about the July collections were received by the Borough office.

John Talk

... Being a Column of Chatter About People You Know ...

By DOROTHY M. OGDEN

Guess you've noticed that one of the Boro landmarks has disappeared from our horizon—it's the old red barn, down on Haverford Rd., which the Boro took over from Joe Donahue in the early part of this century.

It's going back a long way, but through the good offices of George Supple, the Boro's Superintendent of Public Works, and Montgomery Ave. Supt. Joseph Mawhinney, Katie Mawhinney said that she'd see if she could find out some background on the story.

Katie, you know, was Katie Donahue, before she married David Mawhinney, and it was her uncle, who originally bought the barn about 50 years ago through his cousin, Mrs. Elizabeth Ketchum. Mrs. Ketchum was the station mistress at the Narberth Pennsylvania Railroad Station at that time, and she had heard that a family by the name of Read wanted to sell the corner property at Conway and Haverford Aves., including both the house and barn.

It was in the 1890's that the Donahue Brothers started in the business of general hauling and conducting a hack service.

The Boro, meanwhile, needed a place to keep its heavy equipment, such as sprinklers and rollers, etc., so Joe rented space to the Boro for years. He later bought a corner lot at Forrest.

Parsons Estate Is Listed at \$804,210

An appraisal of the estate of the late Lewis H. Parsons, of "Apple Creek," Mt. Moro Rd., Villanova, placed its value at \$804,210.11, it was revealed in Norristown Monday when an inventory was filed in the Office of the Register of Wills.

Mrs. Anabel C. Parsons, his widow, was named sole beneficiary. Parsons, who died Oct. 23, 1945, was a member of the firm of Graham, Parsons and Co., Philadelphia investment bankers.

In 1939, Parsons was willed \$500,000 from the estate of his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. J. Ridgway Reilly.

The estate of Mrs. May P. F. Obersteuffer, of Haverford, was valued at \$93,095.03. Mrs. Obersteuffer, who died June 11, was the widow of Herman F. Obersteuffer. He died in 1921.

Mrs. Matilda Dolfiner, who lived at 223 N. Highland Ave., Merion, left an estate valued at \$450,188.63. Mrs. Dolfiner, who died June 7, was the widow of Henry Dolfiner, Chairman of the Board of Directors of Abbotts Dairy, Inc. He died in 1938.

Other inventories filed were: Jane M. Chase, \$28,323.32, and Richard P. Ryan, of Overbrook Hills, \$10,686.20.

Relief Cases

Twenty-two Narberth residents were on the active assistance list of the State Department of Public Assistance during July. The Norristown office of the Department announced that the following residents were on the list:

Public Meeting

Montgomery County Judge Harold G. Knight will be the principal speaker at a public meeting sponsored by the Main Line Chapter of Alcoholics Anonymous Monday evening in the Women's Club building, 106 Ardmore Ave., Ardmore.

Bad Start Cited In Clean Street Drive

Business Group Head Hopes For Better Cooperation

Narberth's cleaner streets drive, sponsored by the Narberth Business Council, got off to only a lukewarm start, Howard F. Cotter, Jr., president of the group, charged this week.

"The response was not all we expected," Cotter said, "but we hope it will pick up this week and next." The Council last week sent postal cards to all merchants and storekeepers urging them to make an effort to keep Haverford Ave. clean over the weekend.

Containers Asked
Members of the business group presented a formal request to the Borough Council asking that a number of containers be placed along Haverford Ave.

No action was taken, however, by the Council at their meeting Monday night.

Cotter stated that while most of the merchants had continued to sweep litter from their stores into the streets, a few had made a real effort to support the campaign.

The committee will be appointed by the members of the Business Council at their September meeting, and will complete details of a drive to enlist the aid of all residents of the Borough as well as merchants.

Citizens Should Report Violators

Gearhart Suggests Cards To Cite Auto Law Breakers

A suggestion that private citizens be legally empowered to report automobile law violators to the State Bureau of Motor Vehicles was made last week by Samuel W. Gearhart, superintendent of the Lower Merion Police Department.

Gearhart said he had long advocated the placing of motor violation report cards in every gas station. The cards, he said, would be addressed to the State Motor Vehicle Department and would be filled out and returned to Harrisburg by witnesses of violations of the law.

Two warnings suggested, could be warned once or twice and the third time could be required to appear before a local magistrate to answer charges of violating the law.

Gearhart said that the greatest single factor in deterring possible minor violations of the motor vehicle code was the fear of possible arrest by a police officer. Since, however, the police cannot be expected to observe every violation, Gearhart advocated the reporting of violators by citizens.

Gearhart said that under existing regulations the average citizen finds it too difficult to report violations which he either witnesses or in which he is more directly involved.

Not Have To Travel
The Police Superintendent also suggested that the revised law not require citizens reporting violators to travel beyond their communities to give evidence at magistrate's court hearings.

Gearhart admitted the possibility of abuse of the reporting privilege, but added that the benefits of the plan would far outweigh the disadvantages in lessening the number of motor vehicle violations and stemming the rising accident rate throughout the State.

No Auto Accidents In Boro During July

No automobile accidents were reported in Narberth during July, according to Franklin C. Hutchinson, chairman of the Narberth Borough Council Public Safety committee.

Hutchinson's report, made at the Council meeting Monday night, listed four stop sign violations, two parking violations, one arrest case for reckless driving and driving without a license.

Moxey Named

Edward P. Moxey, 3rd, of 215 Price Ave., Narberth, has been appointed a team captain in the interchapter team competition of the Philadelphia Chapter of the National Association of Cost Accountants.

Local Celebrities Talk It Over



Narberth Borough rightfully claims more sports celebrities per capita than any other Philadelphia-Suburban community. The newest-comer, this summer, was Ben Chapman, owner of the "Fighting Phillies." From left to right, the group shown above are Gene Davis, manager of the title-winning Narberth baseball team; Ralph S. Dunne, International Rotary director; Chapman, and Ollie Miller, one time captain of University of Pennsylvania football teams. Dunne, avid reader and booster of his home town paper, is pointing out a recent article about Chapman which was published in Our Town.

Archibald MacIntosh In Auto-Trolley Crash

Archibald MacIntosh, 46, of 3 College Circle, Haverford, former acting president of Haverford College, escaped injury Monday when an automobile in which he was a passenger was struck by a Red Arrow Line trolley. The accident occurred at the Cricket Terrace crossing, one block south of the trolley terminal in Ardmore. Some 30 trolley passengers were shaken up but no one involved in the accident was injured.

The automobile, which was going east on Cricket Terrace, was driven by Homer Kimmich, 19, of 505 Lancaster Ave., Haverford. He is the son of Dr. John M. Kimmich. Also in the car was Francis R. Kennedy, Jr. The trolley was operated by Evans Register, of 8 Vernon Rd., Lanerch.

Peters Confers On G. O. P. Platform

Ardmore Rep. Leader In Harrisburg Talks On Fall Campaign

Montgomery County Commissioner Fred C. Peters, of Ardmore, chairman of the Republican Organization Platform Committee, conferred this week in Harrisburg with other Republican leaders on the State election campaign.

Seven planks, including proposition for employment practice legislation were referred to Peters committee for consideration.

To Fight P. A. C.
Meeting in the conference room of Governor Edward Martin, the party leaders and the four State-wide office candidates, discussed the platform planks, it was learned.

Although no official pronouncement was made concerning the platform planks, it was learned.

Funeral For Thomas Newhall Held Saturday at Bryn Mawr

Funeral services for Thomas Newhall, 2nd, 12-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Blackwell Newhall, of 414 Righter's Mill Rd., Penn Valley, who was killed last Thursday at a summer camp near Centerville, Md., were held Saturday afternoon at the Church of the Redeemer, Bryn Mawr.

The boy, a Haverford School student, was suffocated when he was buried beneath five feet of earth in the collapse of a railroad trestle over which he was digging a cave.

Half Hour Fight
Rescue workers who rushed to the river bank immediately fought for almost a half hour against repeated cave-ins before they were able to reach the boy's body.

The dead boy was the grandson of Thomas Newhall, of City Line and Lancaster Aves., Overbrook, retired vice-president of the Penn Mutual Life Insurance Co. and a former partner of J. P. Morgan and Co.

His father, the assistant to the president of the Philadelphia Gas Works Co., is the former chairman of the Southeastern Pennsylvania Chapter of the American Red Cross and was a Naval officer during the war. His mother is the former Mary Large Harrison.

Democrats Urged To Get Out Vote

Told to Register People, Republican--If Necessary

Thomas J. Minnick, Jr., colorful Democratic leader of Philadelphia's crowded 15th Ward told Lower Merion and Narberth Democrats Tuesday night to get out the vote in the fall campaign.

Speaking before a special registration meeting of the Democratic Committee of Lower Merion Township and the Borough of Narberth, the veteran Philadelphia politician asserted that on the predominantly Republican Main Line, some people might be afraid to register Democratic.

At this point, discussion followed as to how local Democrats should fight political discrimination because of their party affiliation.

One committee member asked what should be done if a Republican Fire Marshal seems unnecessarily strict in his examination of a Democrat's place of business. No one seemed to know.

To get around this kind of difficulty, Minnick said, Democratic workers should persuade their people to get their names on the registration rolls under any party label they choose.

Then, he said, convince them that your candidates are the best. If they aren't better than the Republican candidates, Minnick pointed out to the committee members, then let them vote Republican.

Other speakers at the meeting, held in the Township Building, Ardmore, were Charles J. Hepburn, Jr., of Haverford, Democratic candidate for the State Senate, and Karl R. Schoettel, also of Haverford, a Philadelphia paper box manufacturer, candidate for the State House.

Mrs. Mary Moriarty, of Bala, chairman of the registration committee of the group, presided.

Whitehall Hotel Opens Food Locker

The downstairs banquet hall at Whitehall Hotel, Haverford, whose walls have resounded to the tones of after-dinner speakers, is now cool and quiet.

What happened to the speakers and when the cold quiet? The hotel this week launched a new cold storage business with the motto "We freeze the food, not the people."

A 60-unit locker system which is open to the public has been installed at a cost of \$10,000 by Whitehall.

The new type of freezer contains drawers, each of which holds 600 pounds of food in 6 cubic feet. The units quick-freeze and store in one operation, as the temperature is maintained constantly at zero. Room temperature is not affected.

"The public will have access to the lockers 24 hours daily, including Sundays and holidays," A. Kenneth Lindsay, manager of the hotel stated, when he announced the opening Wednesday.

He also pointed out that current crops could be stored immediately, which will save a good deal of work among victory gardeners and farmers of this vicinity.

Hampden Ave. Group Asks Borough Officials For Immediate Consideration

11 Local Servicemen Receive Discharges

Eleven local servicemen have received their honorable discharges at nearby separation centers. They are:

Captain Matthew S. Dunleavy, Bala-Cynwyd; S/Sgt. George T. Fritz, Haverford; Cpl. Joseph W. Rogers, Ardmore; Cpl. William R. Mauger, Bala-Cynwyd; Pfc. Joseph V. Costello, Ardmore; T/4 Thomas F. Gavin, Ardmore; Sgt. John F. Small, Haverford; James R. Small, Haverford; 1st Lt. David S. Soliday, Merion, and T/5 Elvio C. Impicciatore, Ardmore.

Wynnewoodite Sues For Support

Tells Court Husband Beat Her, Used to Have 'Girl Friend'

Mrs. Martha H. Strong, 51, of 1301 Montgomery Ave., Wynnewood, testified in Domestic Relations Court, Norristown, Saturday that her husband, Charles W. Strong, 48-year-old manufacturer, "had a girl friend in Ardmore all during the Summer of 1945."

Moreover, Mrs. Strong told Judge Harold G. Knight, her husband, whose Wynnewood apartment she left last week, "kicked me unmercifully and used such awful language that other tenants in the building objected to it."

Threw Dishes At Her
On one occasion, she testified in a suit for support brought against her husband, he "came home drunk one night and threw dishes at me."

"The next morning," Mrs. Strong said, "he asked me what happened."

Mrs. Strong, who told the Court she left her husband's apartment last week and is now living with a friend at 6305 Overbrook Ave., Overbrook, said she formerly worked as an interior decorator in a Philadelphia department store. She is also the author of a book on interior decoration.

Other Beatings Alleged
She also related details of numerous other beatings she is alleged to have received at the hands of her husband, who, she testified, owns a factory on Westmoreland Ave., Philadelphia. She also told Judge Knight that Strong had recently purchased a half interest in an apartment building on Lancaster Ave., Wynnewood.

Strong, on the witness stand, denied all of his wife's allegations, and added that if she had been so seriously injured from the beatings she described, it would be impossible for her to ride horseback and take strenuous exercises as she is in the habit of doing.

Judge Knight, after hearing the testimony, reserved decision.

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Other Residents Complain About Present Condition of Street; Want Officials to Pavé and Clean Up Section Near Price Ave.

Several veterans, all residents of Hampden Ave., Narberth, appeared before the Borough Council Monday night to have a rowdyism barrier in the middle of their street removed.

8 Foot Fence
The barrier, a cyclone fence, erected several years ago, is approximately eight feet high and made of heavy steel links. It separates a street paved roadway and small row houses at one end of the street from an unpaved portion of the roadway and larger detached homes at the other.

The veterans, all of whom either recently purchased their present homes or were living there before entering the service, were represented by Charles J. Hepburn, Jr., a member of the American Veterans Committee, and a Democratic candidate for the State Senate.

AVC Helps Vets
In urging the Council to take immediate action toward the removal of the fence, Hepburn said: "The AVC, after the meeting of their problem at the local chapter headquarters, offered to help them assert their rights in their new homes. I merely wish to urge you to give this matter serious consideration. These men are quite concerned about the existence of the fence, and are not pleased at having to go clear around the block to get into the town."

Erected On Request
According to Walter A. Fox, president of the Council, the fence had been put up by the Council "at the request of nearby residents who had objected to the 'rowdyism'."

Other residents of Hampden Ave. appeared with the veterans to voice their displeasure with the condition of the street.

They presented two petitions to the Council asking that the unpaved portion of the street be paved and cleaned up and that burning of trash and rubbish on Hampden Ave. be prohibited.

Residents Complain
The request to prohibit burning rubbish followed failure of the Borough to act when residents complained that Mr. and Mrs. Earl W. Marshall were burning rubbish on Hampden Ave.

At Monday night's meeting, Mrs. Marshall stated: "The burning we did was to clean up and make improvements for us and the neighbors because the Borough would not do it. 'We must have something done'."

Manoa Shopping Center Approved
Haverford Twp. Re-Zones Area For \$6,000,000 Project

Haverford Township commissioners, without a dissenting vote, removed the zoning restrictions and paved the way Monday night for the proposed \$6,000,000 shopping and residential development in Manoa.

Residents Win Point
They made one change—a concession to the residents—in the zoning petition as originally filed by the Suburban Counties Realty Corporation, an affiliate of the Warner-West Corporation. In amending the Township's zoning Code they held the business zone extending along West Chester Pike to Glendale Rd.

Residents of Westgate Hills and Ridgewood Park when the hearing was held a week ago in the Municipal Building in Oakmont expressed themselves in favor of the shopping center but asked the proposed business area be limited to preserve the residential atmosphere.

Bowling Alley Moved
Originally the realty corporation, whose offices are on Garrett Rd., Upper Darby, had asked for a 926-foot business zone of West Chester Pike, across from Westgate Hills. Under the zoning Code, as amended, there will be a pike frontage of 725 feet.

This change and another one, locating the proposed bowling alleys on the West Chester Pike side of the shopping center, were agreed to by the real estate developers.

Nearly 50 residents of Westgate Hills, which is also a Warner-West development; Ridgewood Park and Eagle Heights attended the August meeting of the commission.

Johns Fraternity
William O'Sullivan, of 55 Windsor Ave., Narberth, has been initiated into the Delta Chapter of the Johns Fraternity.

The first Fall meeting of the Club will be held Wednesday, September 18, in the American Legion Rooms in the Narberth Community Building.

Plans for the annual Fall picnic of the club will be completed at a board meeting to be held at the club house.

